WASHINGTON – **Congressman John B. Larson (CT-01)** issued the following statement today praising the Connecticut chapter of Susan G. Komen for the Cure for standing up to their national leadership and agreeing to continue to provide funding for breast cancer screening at state Planned Parenthood facilities.

"While I am very pleased that nationally Susan G. Komen for the Cure has reversed their earlier decision to not provide funding for breast cancer screenings to Planned Parenthood, I want to acknowledge the bravery and leadership that our Connecticut chapter showed earlier this week in refusing to go along with this harmful policy decision.

"Susan G. Komen for the Cure does incredible work raising money for breast cancer research, but their decision to cut funding to Planned Parenthood would have had negative consequences for millions of women nationwide and thousands here in Connecticut. From disease and cancer screening to pregnancy tests and prenatal services, Planned Parenthood provides critical health services to women who may otherwise not have access.

"Again, I want to commend Komen Connecticut for setting an example for their national leadership and choosing women's health over partisan politics."

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